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SRI N. MARUDACHALAM : இந்தத் திருட்டுக் குற்றங்களில் சம்பந்தப்பட்டவர்கள் பொதுவாக தொழில் இல்லாதவர்களா? அல்லது தொழில் உள்ளவர்களா? தொழில் இல்லாதவர்கள் திருட்டுக் குற்றங்களில் சம்பந்தப்பட்டிருந்தால் தொழில் இல்லாதது அதற்கு ஒரு காரணமல்லவா?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : தொழில் இல்லாதவர்கள் மட்டும் திருட்டுக் குற்றங்களில் சம்பந்தப்பட்டிருந்தால் அம்மாதிரி ஊக்கம் இல்லை. ஆனால் தொழில் உள்ளவர்களும் திருட்டுக் குற்றங்களில் சம்பந்தப்படுவதாகத் தெரிகிறது.

" Rescue Homes "

* 887 Q.—**SRI N. K. PALANISAMI :** Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state whether " Rescue Homes " have been opened in all the districts in the State?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : No, Sir.

SRI N. K. PALANISAMI : May I know whether the Jail Reforms Committee has recommended as far back as 1954, that the Government should open Rescue Homes in the district centres?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : I do not at present exactly remember the recommendations of the Jail Reforms Committee. However, because a certain Committee has made certain recommendations, we cannot simply accept them. We open Rescue Homes according to the needs. So far, there are two Rescue Homes and it is now felt that there is no need for any more Homes. I may, however, add that there are other Protection Homes and Shelter Homes.

Kundha Project

* 888 Q.—**SRI T. S. RAMASWAMY PILLAI** (on behalf of **SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR**) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government are aware that the Electricity Board has received a notice of direct action from certain section of workers in the Kundha Project area; and

(b) if so, what their demands are and what action is taken on the notice?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : (a) & (b) The National Project Workers' Union issued a notice of Direct Action on 27th September 1958 in respect of the following demands:—

(1) Establishment of a joint Committee of labour and management to secure better co-operation.

(2) Abolition of contract system.

(3) Grant of increase in wages.

(4) Grant of 14 days sick leave.

(5) Grant of leave facilities, maternity benefits, lay-off compensation, etc.

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- (6) Provision of housing and recreation facilities.
- (7) Grant of medical facilities.
- (8) Permanency of workers.

The Union was advised not to precipitate matters and it agreed to do so. The Labour Officer and the Commissioner of Labour are now taking steps to settle the disputes.

State Aid to Industries

* 889 Q.—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMY PILLAI (on behalf of SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) the total amount allotted for disbursement as loans under the State Aid to Industries Act for Tirunelveli and Kanyakumari districts for the years 1956-57 and 1957-58; and

(b) the number, amount and industry to which the amount was disbursed so far?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : (a) & (b) A statement^a is placed on the table of the House.

SRI T. S. RAMASWAMY PILLAI : In the year 1957-58, the amount disbursed so far as Kanyakumari district is concerned, was only 10 per cent of the amount allotted? May I know the reason for the same? Is it because of lack of people applying for the same or is it due to any other reason?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : I do not know wherefrom the hon. Member got that information. For 1957-58, so far as Kanyakumari district is concerned, the allotment for disbursement was Rs. 25,000 and for the same year, the actual disbursement was Rs. 12,500.

SRI A. R. SUBBIAH MUDALIAR : ரொடியோ காமப்பனடை யூனிடஸ்க்காக 42,000 ரூபாய் கடன் கொடுக்கப்பட்டிருப்பதாகத் தெரிகிறது. அது எந்தயிடத்தில் வைக்கப்பட்டிருக்கிறது?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : அந்த “மெட்லஸ்” என்னிடம் இல்லை.

Loan to an oil mill

* 890 Q.—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI (on behalf of SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(a) whether a loan of Rs. 10 lakhs was given to an oil mill in the year 1948-49 under the State Aid to Industries Act;

(b) what the name of the mill is and where it is situated;

(c) who are the proprietors of the mill;